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BORN WITH INCREDIBLE SUPERHUMAN ABILITIES, MUTANTS HAVE LONG BEEN PERSECUTED FOR THEIR DIFFERENCES. THE MUTANT HEROES KNOWN AS THE X-MEN WERE TRAINED BY PROFESSOR CHARLES XAVIER TO USE THEIR POWERS TO PROTECT THE WORLD THAT HATES AND FEARS THEM AND TO BRIDGE THE GROWING DIVIDE BETWEEN HUMANITY AND MUTANTKIND.

X-MEN



The **X-Men** have taken in several mutant civilians whose mutations were forcibly activated late into adulthood by the mysterious organization **3K**. The X-Men also caught the unwanted attention of **Agent Lundqvist** of **O*N*E**, the Office of National Emergency. O*N*E's forces came to the **Factory**, the X-Men's headquarters, to arrest the team due to their involvement in a recent raid on **Graymalkin Prison**. But **Cyclops** was able to fend them off with a series of coordinated attacks on O*N*E bases that showcased the mutants' might.

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BEAST



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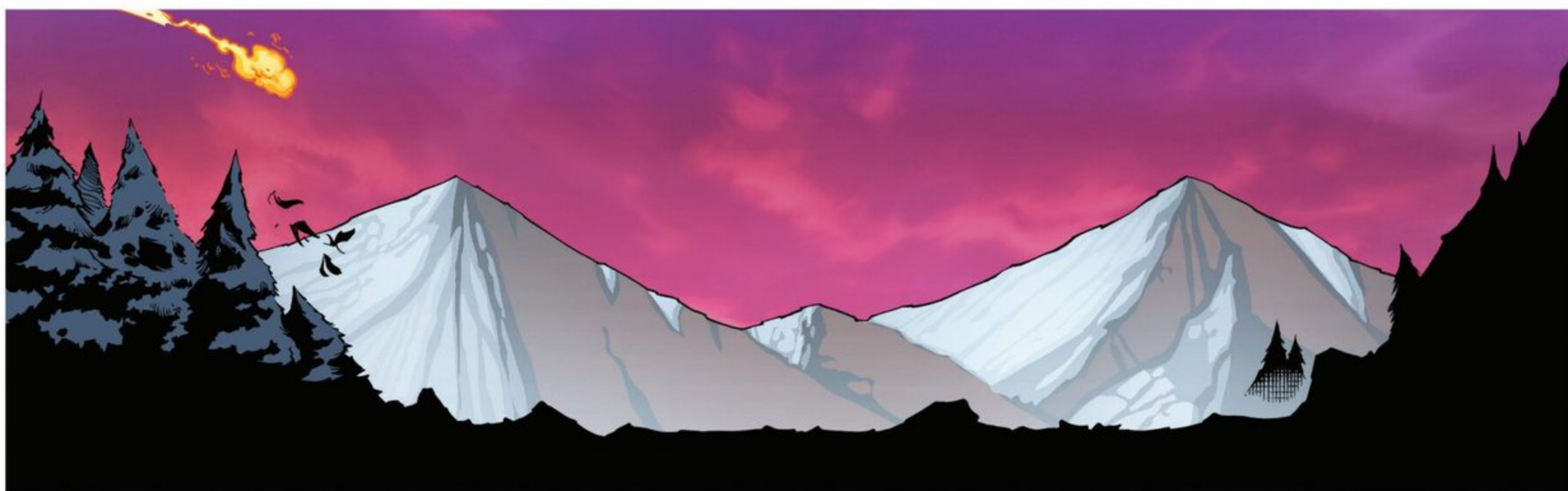
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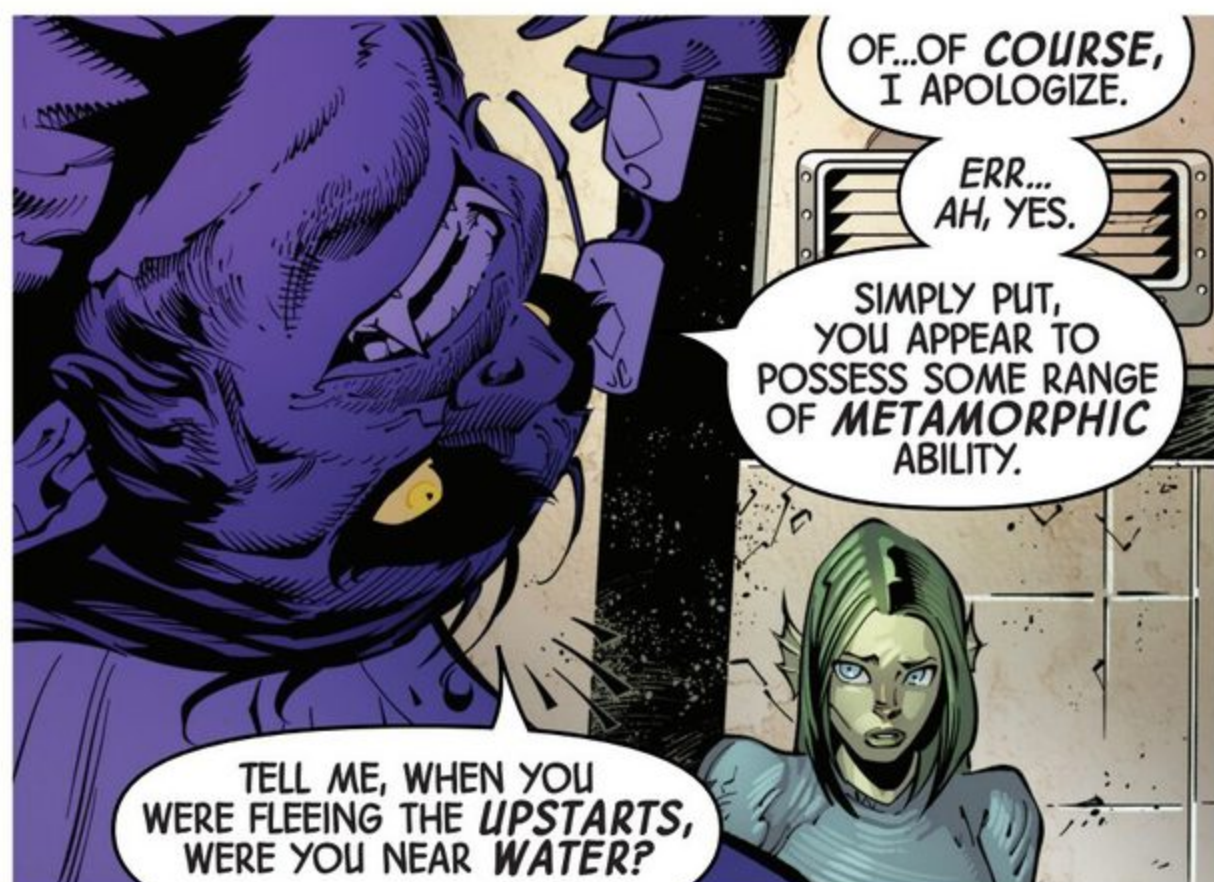




THE FACTORY.
MERLE, ALASKA.

--FASCINATING
GENE MARKERS
WITHIN YOUR X-GENE
EXPRESSION,
MS. STARKEY.

HANK, I'VE
TOLD YOU TO
PLEASE CALL ME
JENNIFER.
OR JEN.

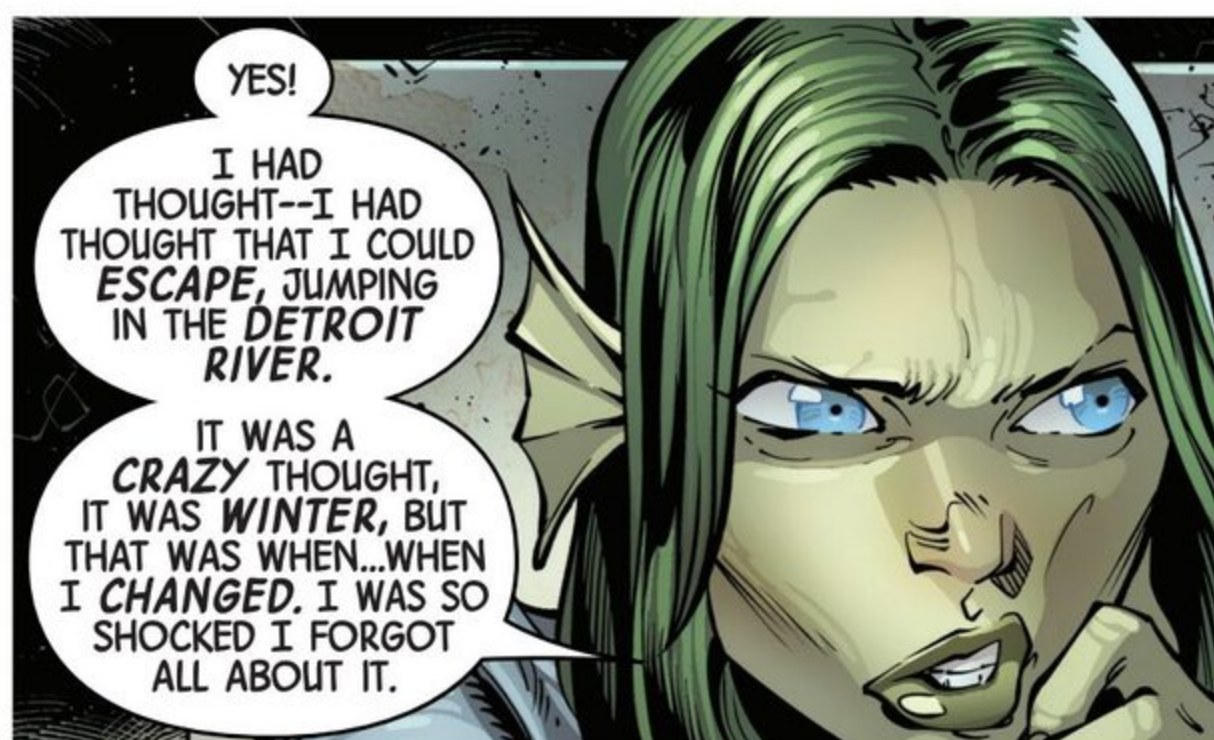


OF...OF COURSE,
I APOLOGIZE.

ERR...
AH, YES.

SIMPLY PUT,
YOU APPEAR TO
POSSESS SOME RANGE
OF **METAMORPHIC**
ABILITY.

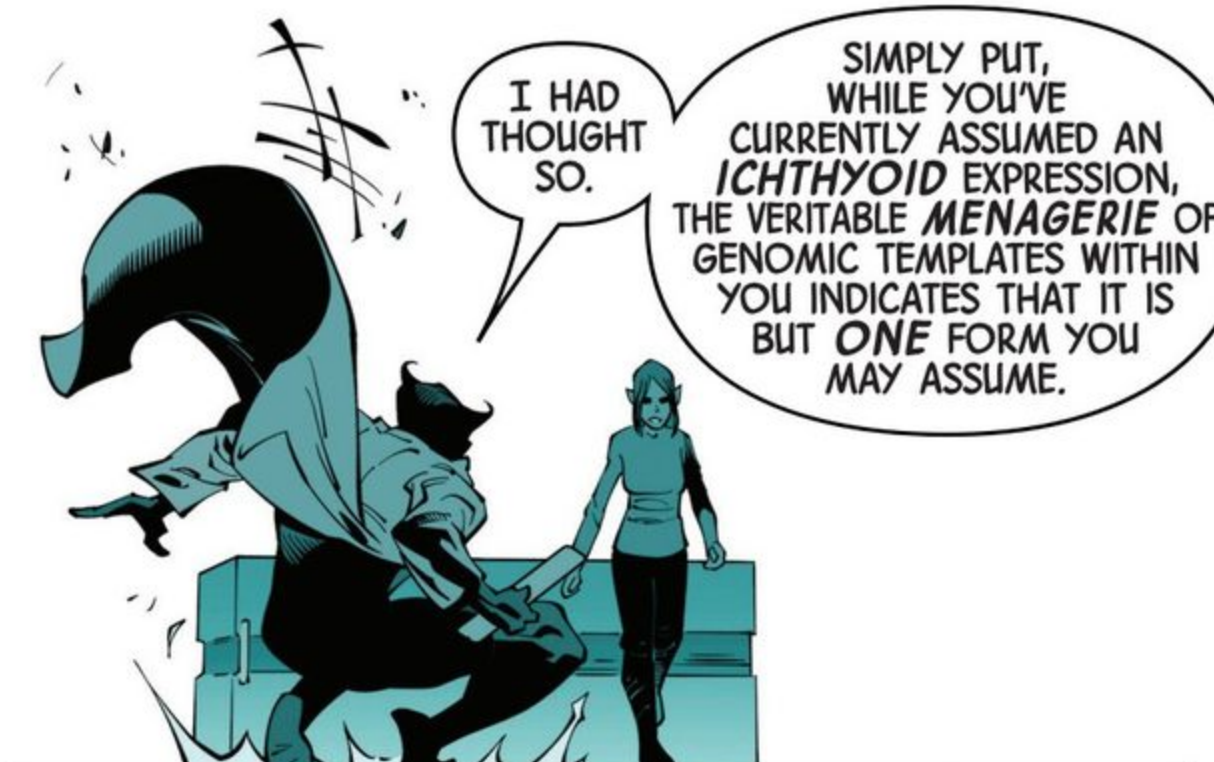
TELL ME, WHEN YOU
WERE FLEEING THE **UPSTARTS**,
WERE YOU NEAR **WATER**?



YES!

I HAD
THOUGHT--I HAD
THOUGHT THAT I COULD
ESCAPE, JUMPING
IN THE **DETROIT**
RIVER.

IT WAS A
CRAZY THOUGHT,
IT WAS **WINTER**, BUT
THAT WAS WHEN...WHEN
I **CHANGED**. I WAS SO
SHOCKED I FORGOT
ALL ABOUT IT.



I HAD
THOUGHT
SO.

SIMPLY PUT,
WHILE YOU'VE
CURRENTLY ASSUMED AN
ICHTHYOID EXPRESSION,
THE VERITABLE **MENAGERIE** OF
GENOMIC TEMPLATES WITHIN
YOU INDICATES THAT IT IS
BUT **ONE** FORM YOU
MAY ASSUME.



A QUICK
TEST IF YOU DON'T
MIND.

THINK OF
FLYING.

OF SOARING,
DIVING, THE WAY
YOU WOULD IN A
DREAM.

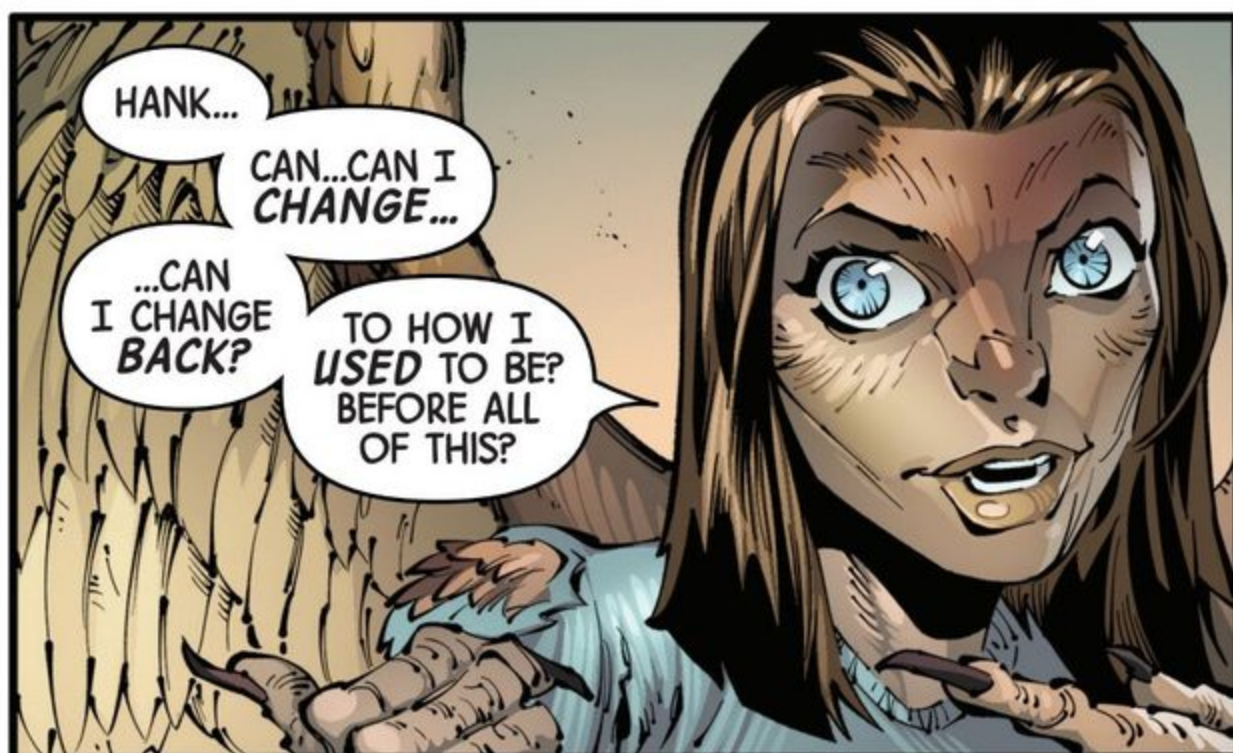
O-O-KAY.



FLYING.

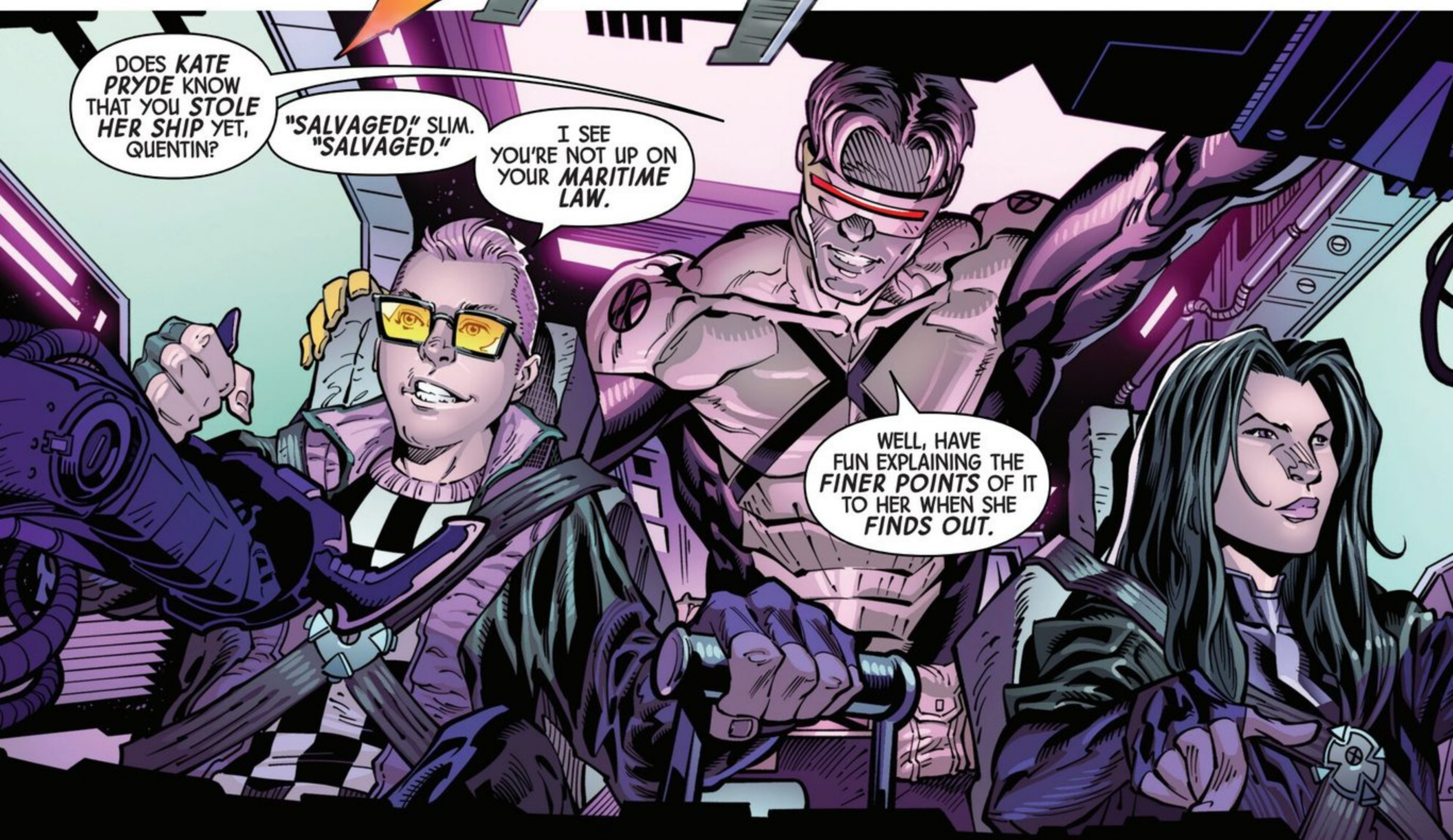
FLYING.

FLYING.





...IS IN
THE AIR.



DOES KATE
PRYDE KNOW
THAT YOU STOLE
HER SHIP YET,
QUENTIN?

"SALVAGED," SLIM.
"SALVAGED."

I SEE
YOU'RE NOT UP ON
YOUR MARITIME
LAW.

WELL, HAVE
FUN EXPLAINING THE
FINER POINTS OF IT
TO HER WHEN SHE
FINDS OUT.



HEY, SO,
WHAT'RE WE
HITTING?

AND HOW
HARD?



WHADDYA MEAN
"HOW HARD"? THERE'S
ONLY ONE ANSWER,
AND IT'S "AS HARD
AS YOU CAN."

I'M
EXPERIMENTING
WITH NUANCE,
CAIN.

PFFFFT.



IF YOU
TWO ARE QUITE
FINISHED.

TWENTY
MINUTES AGO, WE
PICKED UP WHAT LOOKS
TO BE A SPACECRAFT
ENTERING THE ATMOSPHERE
OVER CANADIAN
AIRSPACE.

NORMALLY
NONE OF OUR
NEVER MIND, BUT
THIS SPACECRAFT
CRASHED, AND NOW
WHOEVER WAS IN IT IS
MAKING A BEELINE TO
THE YUKON/ALASKA
BORDER AT HIGH
SPEEDS.



AND THE **PROJECTED** ENDPOINT OF THIS "BEELINE"?

I'M GOING TO ASSUME THAT IT'S EITHER **MERLE** OR THE **FACTORY**.



TWENTY POINTS TO **TEMPER**.

WHAT?! THERE ARE **POINTS**?

I WANT **POINTS**!



WHO OR **WHATEVER** WE'RE DEALING WITH, WE DON'T WANT THEM GETTING TO **MERLE**.

THE TOWN IS ALREADY SHAKEN UP ENOUGH BY O*N*E'S VISIT EARLIER, WE DON'T NEED THEM **BLAMING** US FOR BRINGING **ALIENS** TO THEIR DOORSTEP.



MAGIK, QUENTIN HAS AN INTERCEPT COURSE PLOTTED.

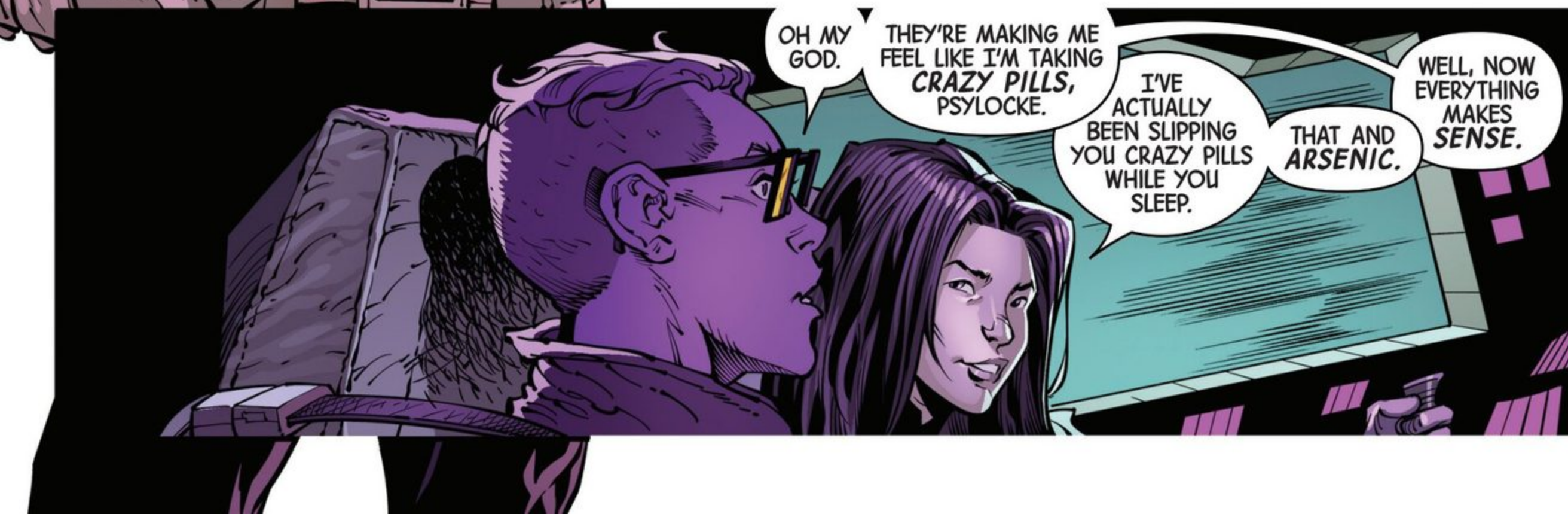
I NEED YOU TO INTERFACE WITH THE **X-DRIVE** AND JUMP US THERE.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR **ME**?

...

THIRTY POINTS?

SUCKER. I'D HAVE DONE IT FOR **TWENTY**.



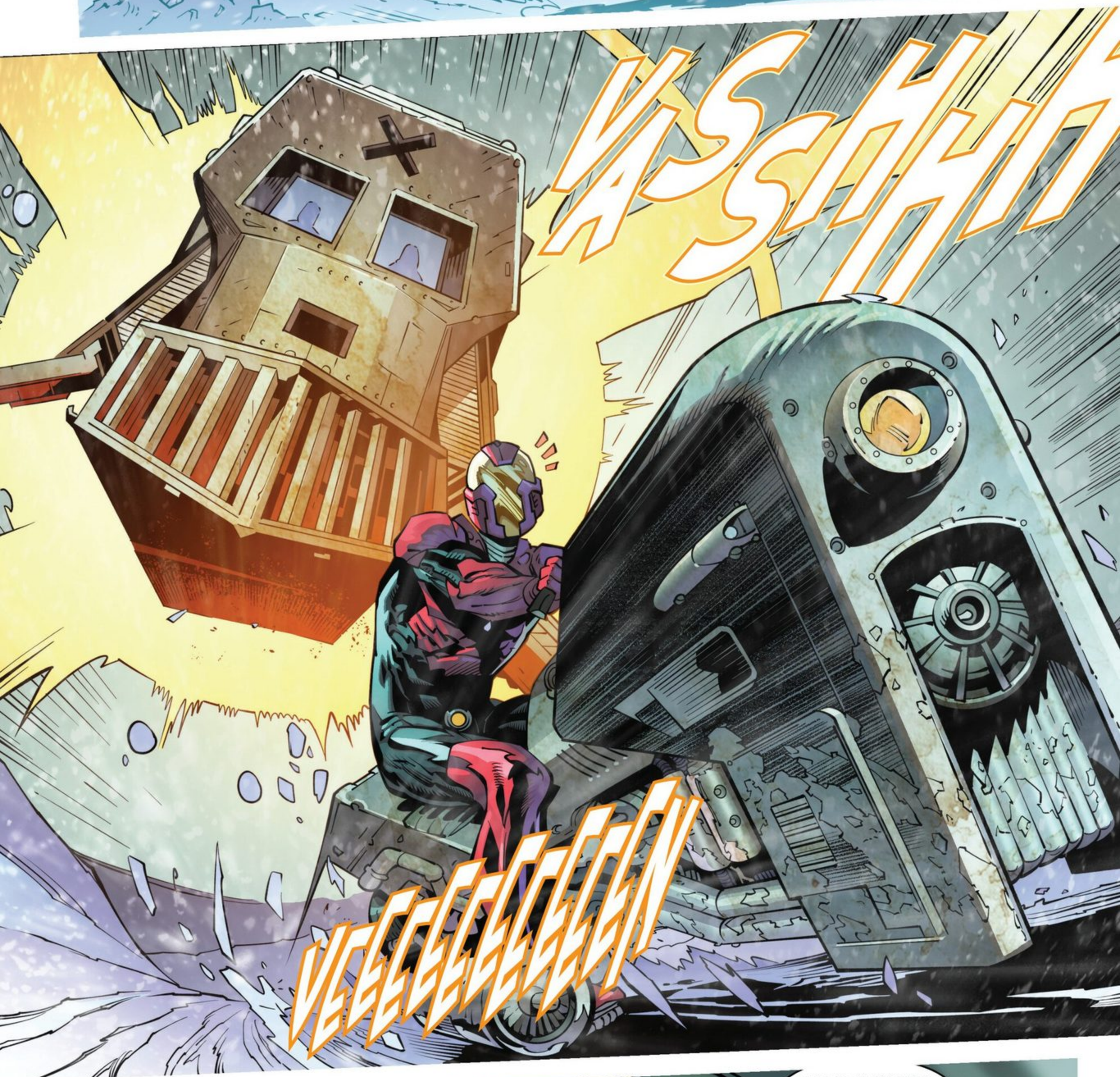
OH MY GOD.

THEY'RE MAKING ME FEEL LIKE I'M TAKING **CRAZY PILLS**, PSYLOCKE.

I'VE ACTUALLY BEEN SLIPPING YOU **CRAZY PILLS** WHILE YOU SLEEP.

THAT AND **ARSENIC**.

WELL, NOW EVERYTHING MAKES **SENSE**.



UNKNOWN VISITOR:

THIS IS CYCLOPS, BROADCASTING FROM THE MARAUDER ACROSS ALL KNOWN GALACTIC LANGUAGES VIA SHI'AR UNIVERSAL TRANSLATOR.

IF YOU'VE COME LOOKING FOR THE X-MEN, YOU'VE FOUND THEM.









QUIT SCREWING
AROUND! **EMERGENCY
EVAC!**

MARAUDER IS
LIFTING OFF RIGHT
NOW!



I TOLD
YOU, WE'RE IN A
SITUATION!

YOU THINK
I CRASHED HERE
BECAUSE I'M A
BAD PILOT?

BECAUSE I
AM NOT.



EXPLAIN.

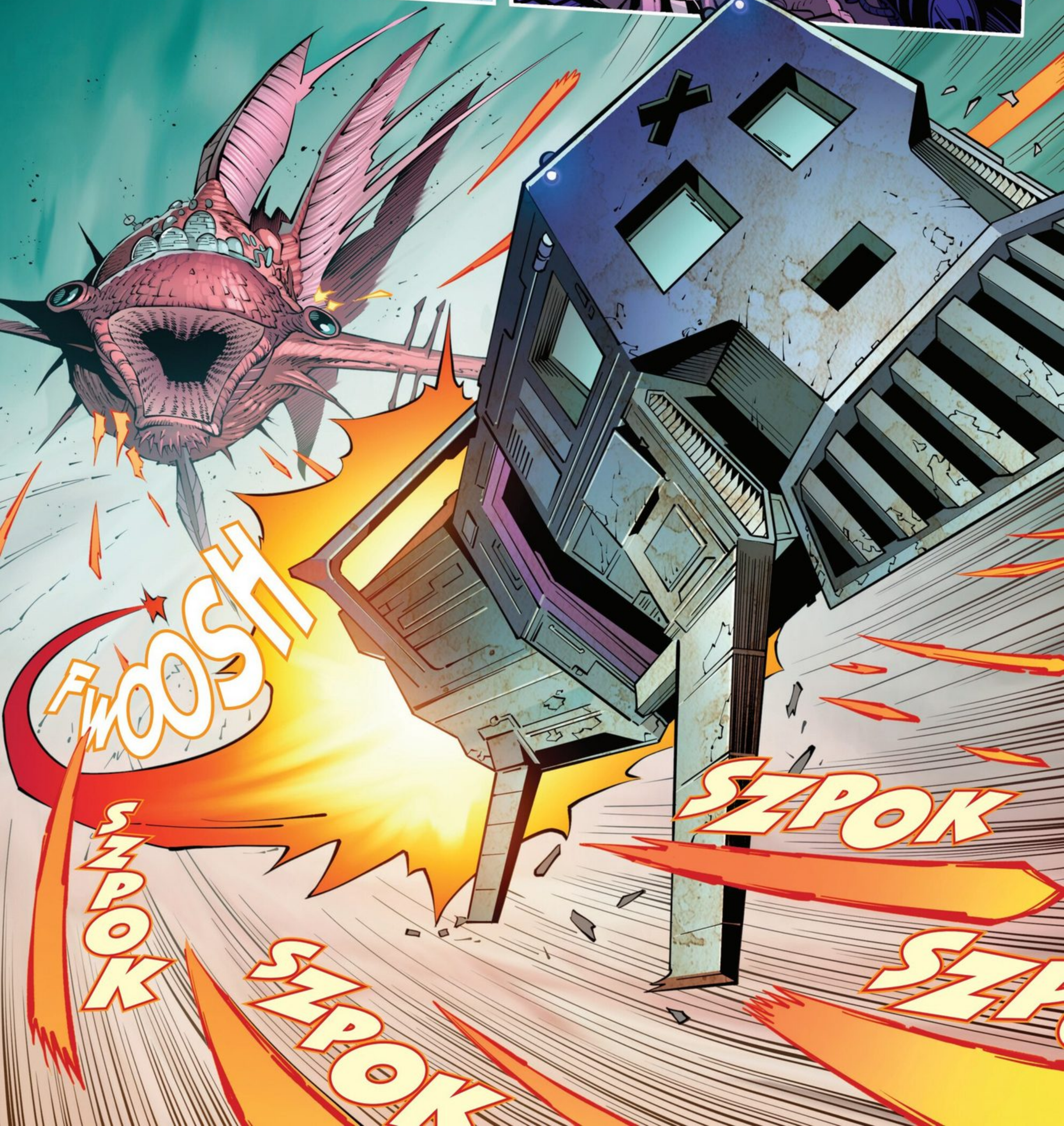
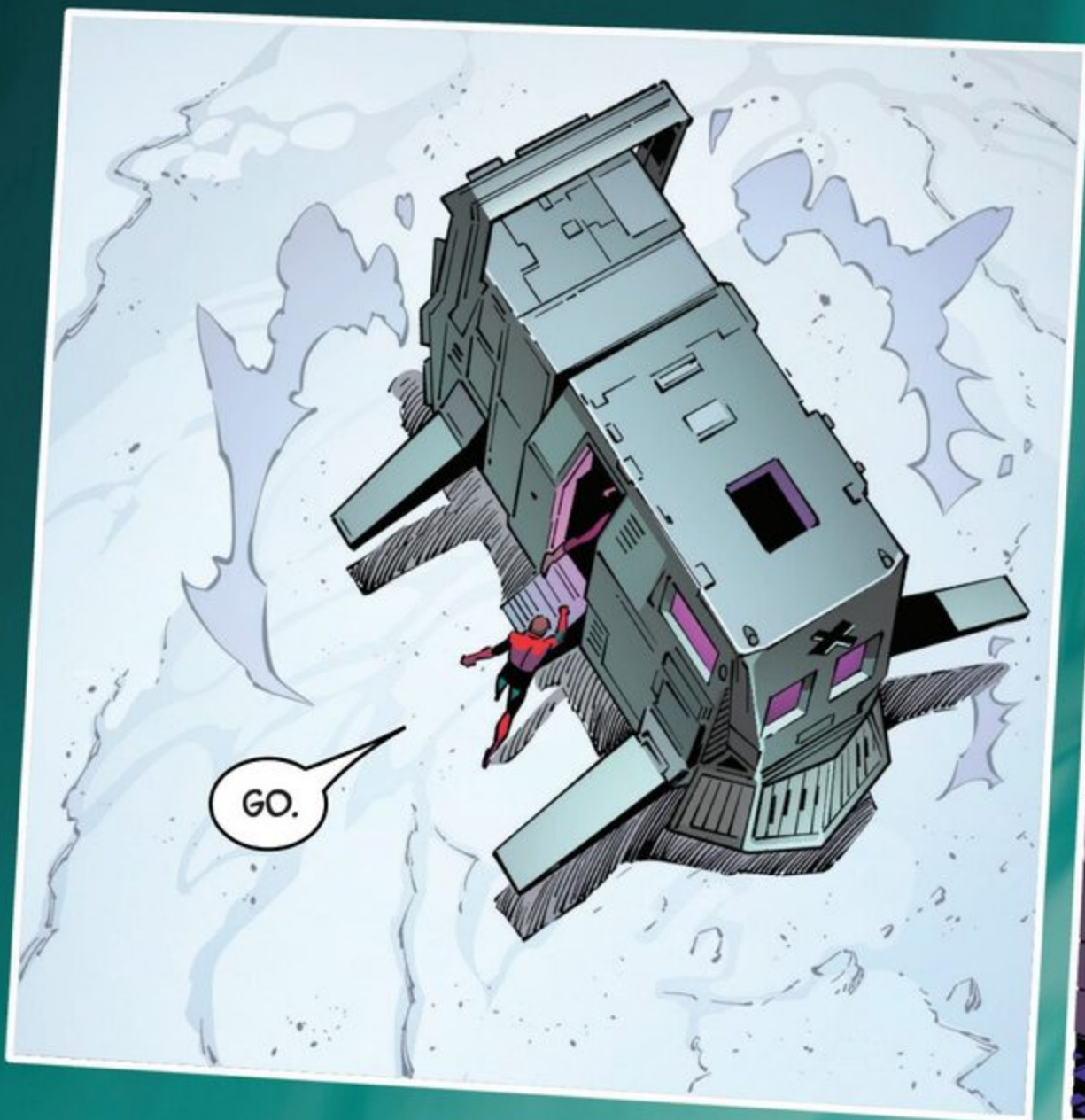


THEY'VE BEEN
ON ME SINCE
KREE/SKRULL
SPACE.

AND ANY
LEAD I HAD GOT
WASTED BY THIS
LITTLE FRACAS.



THEY'RE
HERE.









...WITH
INTEREST.





HIT
HARD AND MOVE
FAST!

SCOTT!

NOT
NOW,
DAD!

LISTEN
TO ME!

THIS IS AN
ENTIRE MERCENARY
BATTALION!

THEY OPENED
A STARGATE TO
EARTH--DO YOU
KNOW HOW MUCH THAT
COSTS? BILLIONS
OF CREDITS!

SON, THE SHI'AR
HATE ME, BUT MY
BOUNTY IS ONLY AT
2.5 MILLION
CREDITS!

THE BOUNTY
HUNTERS AREN'T
AFTER ME!

THEY SAID
THEY WERE AFTER
"SUMMERS,"
DAD.

WHAT?

I DIDN'T
COME TO YOU
FOR HELP!

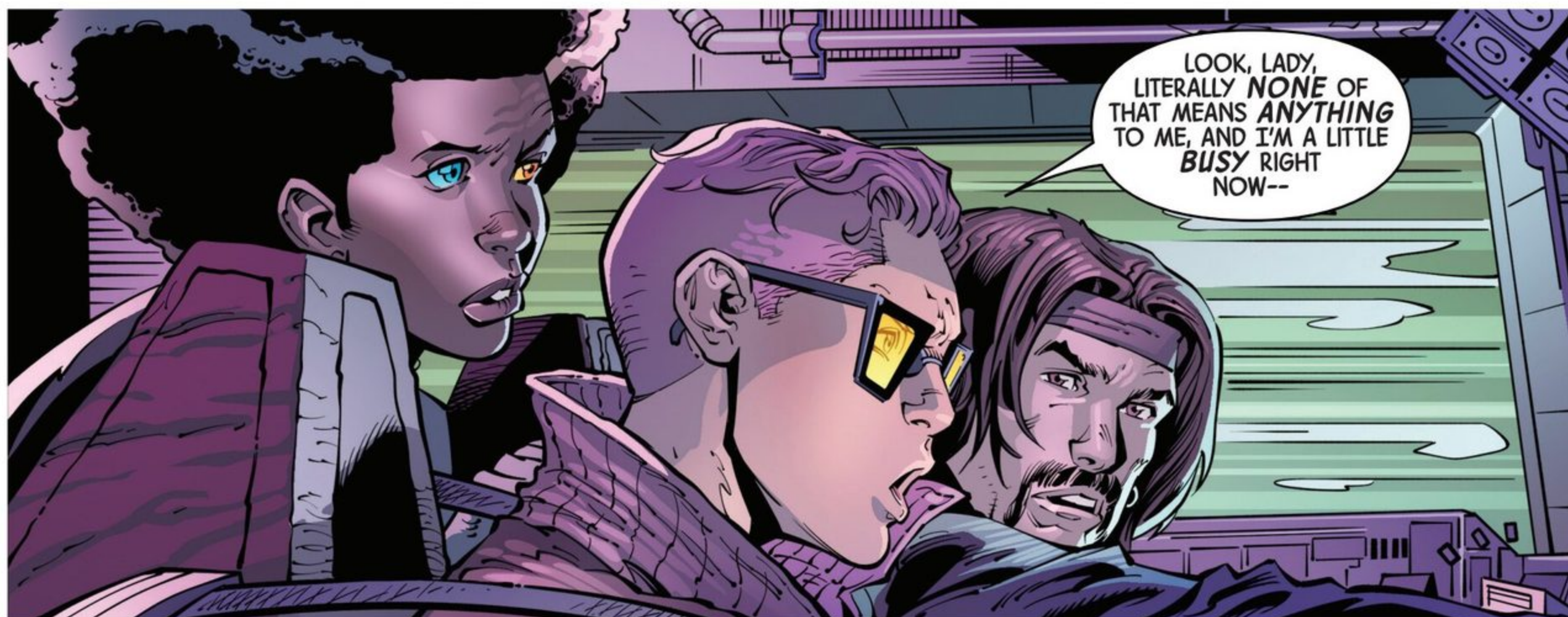
RUBY
QUARTZ
ARMOR.

WE'VE GOT HIM
SURROUNDED.



I CAME
TO WARN YOU,
SON.

THEY'RE
AFTER YOU.



ALPHA FLIGHT

IS INBOUND.



X-MAIL

Hey there, X-Team!

I am a 12-year-old who was introduced to the confusing Krakoa Era, and while I loved it, there was a lot I didn't read. However, X-MEN #5 has been the most intriguing to me. I have all the From the Ashes issues, and this is the best series! First off, Ryan Stegman's art is gorgeous to look at! It feels realistic, but it shines most during the action. Also, hats off to Marte Gracia's colors! I love Quentin's pink psionic abilities! I didn't know much about Jed MacKay's work, but as of late, I've been loving it--first AVENGERS and now this!

Having this issue be focused on Psylocke and having her be teamed up with Quentin to explore the mutant's origin is brilliant! I am very excited to see more with Cassandra Nova and the rest of 3K being the ones pulling the strings!

One quick question, as someone who hasn't read NEW X-MEN and the entirety of Krakoa, what can I read from Krakoa and prior to learn more about Quentin Quire/Kid Omega and Oya/Temper? Can't wait for what's to come!

Liam Miller
Sanford, FL

P.S. This is my favorite cover from all of the From the Ashes!

Glad you've been enjoying this new era, Liam! In terms of Quentin, he was introduced in the "Riot At Xavier's" storyline way back in NEW X-MEN #135-138 in 2002. That story's been collected a couple of times in different formats over the years, so it shouldn't prove too difficult to track down.

Hello there, everybody. How are you all doing? Greetings from Brazil!

You know, sometimes I wonder if there will ever be a day when people in the Marvel Universe will fully accept the X-Men and any other mutant as part of society.

Like, no more prejudices, no more hate, etc., etc. I know that the X-Men's stories are made exactly to deal with these topics (and many others, of course), but honestly, it would be cool to see a What If? story with this alternate outcome. Do you all think that this day is still too far away for mutantkind? That is, if it ever comes (which I honestly hope it does)?

Keep up the great work,
Gabriel Pereira
Brazil

One can only hope, Gabriel, and help to bring about such a world.

X-MEN #6 was such a delight! I love Magik getting so much page space. Her friendship with Oya is a lot of fun. Illyana doesn't want to be anyone's Magik Bus. Piper being a mutant in a city that makes Sentinels seems extremely frightening. I also really like the subtleties of the 4th School/3K, very clever naming conventions there.

Is Magneto suffering from mutant-power burnout like from X-MEN FOREVER? That's my guess.

Such a great issue.

John Klein III
Helena, MT

As you no doubt know by now, John, Magneto is suffering from Regeneration-Linked Degenerative Syndrome, and we've only just scratched the surface of what that's all about!

Hey, Office-X!

I've been a longtime X-Fan mainly from the animated and live-action shows and movies but also the Whedon era in the comics! I grew up largely on the Decimation era but also went back to Morrison's run and the '90s later and loved what was done with Cassandra Nova! And now she is

in the movies! It's a big Nova time!

Just read issue #6. Was the decision made early on in the writing to bring back Cassandra? I didn't get to read all of MARAUDERS--will I need to have read that to understand the story? Love the run so far and Jed's work at Marvel in general! Looking forward to more!

Justin Rubinstein

Jed selected Cassandra Nova as one of the key members of 3K right at the outset, Justin--and you got a hint as to who the rest of them might be if you activated the QR Code that we printed back in issue #1! As for missing out on MARAUDERS, while such a thing is essentially unforgivable, we'll do our best to get you up to speed on everything as it becomes relevant to the story we're telling here. But don't let it happen again, hear?

Dear Office-X,

Six issues in and I'm still loving this series. X-MEN #6 featured my new favorite duo of Magik and Temper. Plus, just like the X-Men of my Golden Days (the '80s), this issue had several mysteries woven into the story.

Who is Nova working with? Why can't Magneto stand? How did Piper almost kill her whole town? What was the "Iron Night"? Wait, that is a "Wild Sentinel"? Will the letters pages stick around?

Keep up the great work!

Jim Schlievert
Whitehouse, Ohio

And you've got some of these answers by now as well, Jim, with more on the way! Unfortunately, every answer implies another question--but that's our sneaky way of keeping you reading! But to answer your last question, this letters page will stick around as long as readers like you continue to send in your thoughts.

Stay weird!
Tom B
12/9/24

NEXT:

As a horde of the galaxy's most fearsome killers descend upon the X-Men, help comes from an unexpected direction: across the border! ALPHA FLIGHT fly into action again--although at what price? And can even Canada's hardest heroes turn the tide?



X-MEN #12



X-MENTIONS

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I FORGE YOU INTO ONE OF THE DEADLIEST FIGHTING FORCES THE WORLD HAS EVER SEEN.

- Next month, all hell breaks loose! And by hell, I mean Professor Charles Xavier, founder of the X-Men, who has spent the last several months as a willing inmate of Graymalkin Prison! But now, for reasons known only to himself, he's escaped and gone on the run, setting off a nationwide manhunt for the most dangerous mutant alive! This is the inciting incident of **X-MANHUNT**, a seven-part storyline that will play out across the core titles of the X-line, as our disparate bands of mutants will have to decide whether to pursue Professor X, to assist him, to try to stop him or simply to kill him! All of the fractures that have been dividing mutantkind split wide open as the Children of the Atom race to confront their wayward mentor! But why is Xavier doing this? And what awaits at the end of his desperate flight?
- Also next month, **X-FACTOR #8** is Legacy issue #300, and so in addition to it being a part of the **X-MANHUNT** storyline, we're working to make it a celebration of the title's history as well! Alex Summers has always lived in his brother's shadow. As leader of X-Factor, he always knew

that Scott was out there leading the X-Men! And in fact, Scott was the leader of the very first X-Factor team! And that means when X-Factor gets the order to recapture Charles Xavier from the X-Men, it's going to be a family affair! Havok, Angel, Cyclops and Beast collide in an X-Factor reunion big enough for the monumental issue #300!

- It's about time for things to take a serious turn in the world of **EXCEPTIONAL X-MEN**! Issue #7 features the unexpected return of one of the greatest and most recognized villains in all of X-Canon. Who is it? That we can't reveal just yet—though we suspect the sharper among you will have no trouble figuring the mystery out. And it's bad news for the woefully undertrained young X-Men, who are nowhere near ready to confront a threat of this magnitude! Will Kitty Pryde pick up her sword once again to defend her young charges? Will Emma Frost be blindsided by an enemy that makes even her uneasy? And will any of it make a difference either way? This is the Exceptional X-Men's darkest moment—coming when they least expect it!

UNCANNY X-MEN #11



X-FACTOR #8



EXCEPTIONAL X-MEN #7



QUESTION OF THE MONTH:

We hadn't really expected fans to start answering our Questions of the Month—but a bunch of you did anyway! So we figure we'll print some of your responses as we go:

My first encounter with the X-Men was in the animated series *X-MEN: EVOLUTION*, which was repeated tirelessly here in Brazil. Everyone I know was also introduced to mutants by this series. It was a good entry point without a doubt.

Erick Sousa
Juazeiro do Piauí, Brazil

“Who is the most underappreciated character in the extended X-Men family?”

(Who do you love that everybody else ignores?)

MARK RUSSELL – I think for me the one that is most sadly forgotten is (ironically) Forget-Me-Not. It seems like such an awful power to have, to be instantly forgotten, but, in a way, also the most relatable one. He's also a great reminder that who we are is who we choose to be when nobody is watching.

BOB QUINN – I've been doing a full read through of NEW MUTANTS and I'm now a Sunspot guy. I don't know if he's underappreciated, but none of my friends talk about him... I may also have lame friends.

EVE L. EWING – I've always respected that Lorna Dane at one point was like, “*eh*, I'm good on this hero stuff. I'm just gonna go to grad school.”

MARTÍN CÓCCOLO – I don't seem to have a very specific or obscure character that everyone else ignores, but recently, I revisited NEW X-MEN and man, gotta love Beak!

CY PEDRO BELTRAN – Jack-of-all-trades and founder of Starcore One, Dr. Peter Corbeau! When ISN'T he needed?

MARK BASSO – Harry's Hideaway (and, I guess, Harry himself)! Unsung hero of the X-Men's social lives!

■ Go for the gold! Wolverine has been having a rough go of it lately, trying to teach a Wendigo not to succumb to its bloodlust while mixing it up with the adamantium titans Lady Deathstrike, Cyber, Constrictor...and figuring out just what the heck is going on with their new golden makeovers. But **WOLVERINE #7** is the issue where the Adamantine's champion finally stands to tear Wolverine down once and for all! Wolverine's always had trouble with his past, and this is no exception, but this issue will show much about what's to come as well...!



CHECKLIST ON SALE FEB. 2025

- ❑ **WEAPON X-MEN #1** – Five mutant badasses join forces to take on a threat from the past!
- ❑ **X-MEN #11** – It's a family reunion for Cyclops when Corsair makes planetfall. But he's brought some unwelcome guests along...
- ❑ **X-MEN #12** – Alpha Flight! As you've never seen them before—and as the X-Men hope to never see them again!
- ❑ **UNCANNY X-MEN #10** – The young Outliers are stalked by the merciless, inhuman Bloodhounds!
- ❑ **EXCEPTIONAL X-MEN #6** – It's internship time for Axo, Melee and Bronze! But is the team's new benefactor everything that he seems?
- ❑ **PSYLOCKE #4** – Who is the Taxonomist, and why has he been stalking Kwannon for years?
- ❑ **STORM #5** – Oblivion waits no longer—for Storm!
- ❑ **WOLVERINE #6** – Two Wolverines and a Nightcrawler versus Deathstrike, Cyber and more in a clash of the adamantium titans!
- ❑ **DEADPOOL #11** – It's Deadpool(s) vs. Spider-Man in POOLS OF BLOOD Part 1!
- ❑ **DEADPOOL/WOLVERINE #2** – Death by fossil—and we don't mean Logan! An ancient power emerges...
- ❑ **X-FACTOR #7** – Angel returns to lead X-Factor into the era of One World Under Doom!
- ❑ **PHOENIX #8** – The Dark Gods live!
- ❑ **X-FORCE #8** – La Diabla's attack takes an unexpected turn as an old friend strikes!
- ❑ **MYSTIQUE #5** – Mystique and Nick Fury—face-to-face for the grim finale!
- ❑ **SENTINELS #5** – The secret of the Sentinels stands revealed as the team fights to hang on to its last shreds of humanity!
- ❑ **NYX #8** – Wolverine attempts to prevent Hellion from being transferred to Graymalkin Prison—but is it only so she can kill him herself?
- ❑ **LAURA KINNEY, WOLVERINE #3** – Elektra and Laura fight to save a captive mutant—with the fate of NYC in the balance!
- ❑ **MAGIK #2** – In the Tokyo underground, Magik and Cal attempt to safeguard the second Liminal Seal!
- ❑ **CABLE: LOVE AND CHROME #2** – Will Cable's out of control Techno-Organic virus take him out of the fight before the war he's enmeshed in can?
- ❑ **HELLVERINE #3** – Ghosts of the past damn Hellverine's future!
- ❑ **ROGUE: SAVAGE LAND #2** – A powerless Rogue races across the Savage Land to save Ka-Zar!
- ❑ **SABRETOOTH: THE DEAD DON'T TALK #3** – In the early twentieth century, Sabretooth runs afoul of a fighter from K'un-Lun—Dragonfire!
- ❑ **AVENGERS #23** – To catch the Black Cat, the Avengers will have to get past the Cat's new bodyguards: Gatecrasher and the Technet!
- ❑ **NAMOR #7** – The dark secret hidden in Atlantis' past is laid bare, shattering the Sub-Mariner!

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